

## NEW OIL SYNDICATE BUYS HARVEY INTER- ESTS AT BIG FIGURE

Representatives of a Minnesota and Iowa Syndicate arrived in Tucumcari Monday where they met Jas. M. Harvey who has been in Quay and Curry counties for several months leasing land for oil and gas purposes. Mr. Harvey took the representatives out to the Pound place where the first oil well in Quay county is expected to be drilled in. They were well-pleased with the outlook for oil and upon returning to Tucumcari they contracted with Mr. Harvey for his holdings in Kansas, Oklahoma, and New Mexico—Curry and Quay counties.

A competent geologist is in company with the representatives. This was his first visit to Quay county but he believes like all others, that indications could not be better for a real oil field than they are in this county. The consideration received by Mr. Harvey is said to have been \$225,000.00. He will retain \$100,000.00 worth of stock in the company and was chosen as general manager. The name of the new company will be "The Iowa Southern Oil & Gas Co." Headquarters will be retained in Tucumcari for the present. More leases will be obtained in Quay county and a drilling sight will be selected in the very near future. Mr. Harvey has been in the oil game ever since he was a youngster working mostly in the capacity of driller. The geologist will choose the best location and a block of land will be secured or as much as possible. The company already has thousands of acres near Hanley, south and west. Mr. Harvey believes that part of the county will probably be chosen because it looks good to him. The intention of the company is to do considerable developing. There are men in the company having many millions of dollars and there is no doubt about them having plenty of capital to drill all the wells they care to and if there is oil they will become multi-millionaires.

Every day sees new faces in Tucumcari. The fever has passed the common excitement period and now is settling down to brass tacks. With a company like The Iowa Southern Oil & Gas Co. added to those who have been prospecting for many months in this county it behooves those who own property to attend in every way to find out whether there is an oil field here worth developing.

### QUAY COUNTY MAN RE-

CEIVED A SMALL FORTUNE  
I. R. Choat, of McAlister, was in town this week on his way home from Ranger, Texas, where he has been to negotiate a sale of 1250 acres of land near the oil wells now being brought in. He sold three-fourths of his royalty in his land for \$560,000.00 in cash. He was accompanied by C. H. Hittson of this city who assisted Mr. Choat in making the deal.

While in Tucumcari Mr. Choat bought a new auto and drove out home. He intends to make arrangements to move to Tucumcari in the near future where he expects to go into business. The News is glad to learn of the good fortune and to know Mr. Choat will remain in this county and perhaps in this city. He yet owns a one-fourth interest in the oil production that is sure to come from his lands in Texas, so he should worry whether he works or not, but Mr. Choat is not built of the loafing material or he would not have remained here during the past two years when those who worked had not made but little.

### TUCUMCARI MUST GO OVER

THE TOP IN VICTORY LOAN  
Mrs. Oscar Sandusky has been appointed City Chairman for the Victory Loan Campaign which begins Monday April 21. Mrs. Sandusky is an enthusiastic worker and will put forth every effort to have "Tucumcari go over the top" in this drive. She has her ladies well organized and everything is ready for the "sound of the whistle" on Monday morning.

The chairman for the six different wards are:  
Ward One—Mrs. A. W. Haight.  
Ward Two—Mrs. Clinton Fausnacht.  
Ward Three—Mrs. M. McQuaid.  
Ward Four—Mrs. J. M. Putman.  
Ward Five—Mrs. W. A. Savage.  
Ward Six—Mrs. Frank Kirby.

Tucumcari is in line for a new depot and the time is not far distant if the State Corporation Commission is properly informed. Members of the commission together with Supt. Greenough of Dalhart spoke at the local Chamber of Commerce Tuesday night and from their remarks it is quite evident the railroad companies will build a new depot as soon as the roads pass back to private ownership. The original plans may be followed with but few changes. This would be one of the best improvements possible to make. Tucumcari with paved streets running up to the present depot would be somewhat like a man with a swell suit of clothes and shoes wearing an old worn-out hat.

### INSISTS FOURTEEN POINTS MUST BE PEACE BASIS

Paris, April 12.—Varied construction has been placed on the orders for the return of the president's ship since his action became public. In certain quarters the course was considered as mere bluff. It was far from that. On the other hand, it was far from meaning that President Wilson considered his efforts here in vain and that he would quit.

President Wilson feels that the time for delay has passed and that action is now imperative. In his view the delays thus far encountered are due to the play of selfish interests, which do not conduce to future peace. He purposes reducing the problem to simple elements and asking acquiescence on those phases in which the course of duty lies plain before the conference.

This duty he regards as being sufficiently defined by the fourteen points. His attitude is that peace must be based on the fourteen principles laid down in that document which has been accepted by the allies and by Germany.

He declines to permit the issue to be clouded. Each question is to be measured anew in the light of these precepts and those questions that fall outside the prescribed limits are to be dropped from further consideration.

If France or other participants in the conference decline to assent to this method he will not submit to further procrastination, but will withdraw, taking with him the entire American delegation. But if there shall be a cessation of bargaining and false pretenses he will see the thing through.

He believes that to permit narrow national interests to override the obvious dictates of justice would be to invite certain repetition of war and would make farcial all efforts to promote a league of nations.

America's own freedom from selfish aims gives her the privilege of speaking frankly, and the time for frankness, even for brutal frankness, is at hand, in the president's opinion.

He has declined to be satisfied with the shadow while striving for the substance. Should there be a continuation of policies in compatible with the foundations already laid down, the president will go back to America, assemble congress in special session and ask that the state of war with Germany be declared at an end, leaving the allies to act as they see fit.

With the George Washington ready in a French port, he will be in position to embark at a moment's notice should occasion arise. If matters are smoothed out he will direct that the ship make another trip, while he will go on with the job for which he came to Paris.

It would be idle to depreciate the seriousness of the situation, for the president was never more in earnest and his fighting spirit was never more aroused than now; but there is reason to believe that his attitude will have immediate reaction on the conference, in forcing the abandonment of selfish interests and an agreement upon practices consonant with accepted principles.

Paris conferences cannot afford to permit a break-up of their work now. They came here for a purpose that must be executed. Realization of this fact indicates that American views will be met.

President Wilson assembled the American delegation and in a talk of two hours he laid down the law. He said traffic in principles must no longer be tolerated and he declared that the delegates must stand by their guns.

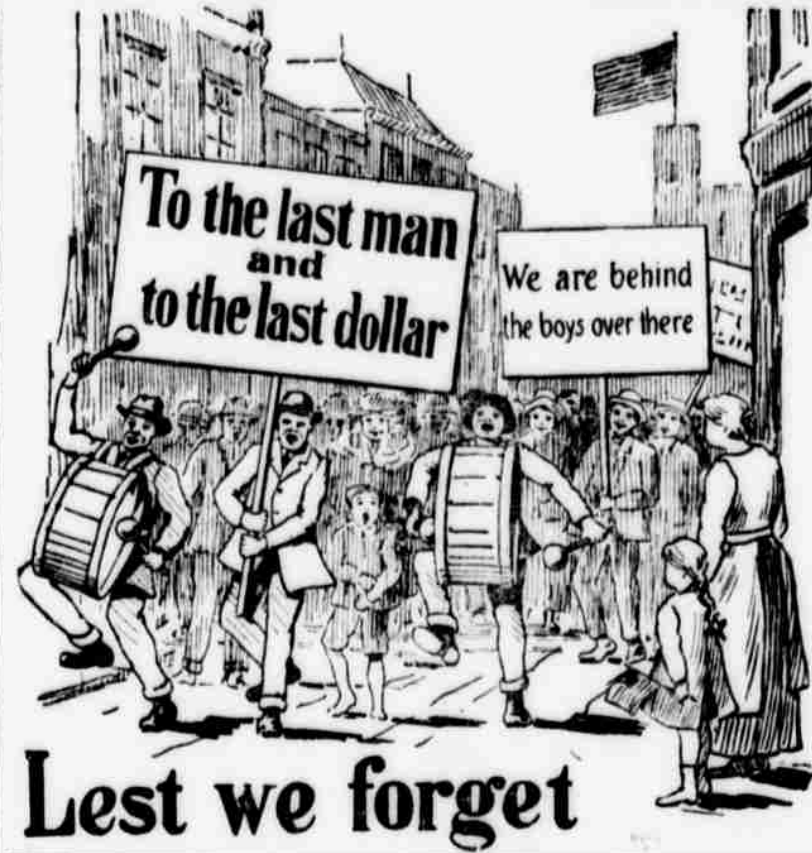
This attitude had an effect upon yesterday's session of the Big Four, in Premier Lloyd George's house, where Colonel House was present.

Reparation was discussed and agreement was reached precisely along the line defined in these dispatches several days ago, whereby seven categories of damages are to be used as a basis for calculation as to what Germany should pay; the amount and the system of payments to be decided by a commission the conference will appoint, which will meet within the year. The commission will designate the sums to be applied to reparation and the sums that may be reserved for purchases of food and supplies for the Germans.

It is fair to say that progress in this direct has been made and that further progress soon will be recorded by the withdrawal of annihilation claims.

### GARRISON—REED

Mr. Frank Garrison and Miss Hazel Reed, both of this city, were married Saturday evening by Rev. J. H. Messer, pastor of the Methodist church. The event was very quiet only a few of the closest friends of the contracting parties being present. Miss Reed has been employed in the First National Bank and has proven herself an accomplished young lady. She graduated from the High School last year and has used her talents most successfully. Mr. Garrison has been and is at present employed in the local railroad shops. He bears the reputation of being an exemplary young man. Mr. and Mrs. Garrison have already gone to house-keeping and expect to make their future home in this city. The News joins their many friends in extending congratulations.



### LOCAL GARAGE MAN BUYS STOLEN BUICK FROM TOURIST

It pays to investigate a proposition before you invest your money. This was proven again Saturday when two men formerly of Melrose came to town driving a six cylinder Buick without money to pay expenses. They were accompanied by two women and a little child. It is understood that the men picked up the women at Fort Worth and drove to Roswell in a Maxwell car. At Roswell they drove a new six cylinder Buick away coming via McAlister arriving in Tucumcari Friday with the car and women. They soon let it be known that they desired to sell or trade the car as they were short of funds and the car needed some repairs and a new casing.

A number of trades were soon in evidence and the trade in which Geo. Eager figured was soon consummated. Mr. Eager traded a Ford and gave \$260.00 difference. A few hours after the party left Tucumcari Mr. Eager learned that the car had been stolen in Roswell and the officers were looking for same. A number of messages were sent but no trace of the car or party has been found.

One of the men, John Penner, formerly live at Melrose who he has a wife and three children. The other man has a wife living near Melrose. The women who are with the men are not known here. The men had been away from home about four months in the oil fields of Texas.

A message to Lee Farrington at McAlister informed him that these men were wanted. W. C. Lee, constable and deputy sheriff, was in town Saturday and saw the men but did not know they were wanted until he returned home. He and Mr. Farrington came to town Monday and notified Sheriff Street the car and men had arrived in Tucumcari, but they had traded the car and left for parts unknown. Mr. Eager is short a Ford and the cash "boot" money but the men will no doubt be caught in a short time.

### FOR A WORLD PEACE. NOT A FRENCH PEACE

London, April 11.—"A French peace or a world peace" is the heading of a two column article in the Daily News by the newspaper's editor, A. G. Gardiner. "We have come," he writes to a sharp issue and we have to make up our minds whether we are going to follow the French path or whether we are going to keep our own path.

"We all want safeguards and security—safeguards for France, but safeguards also for the world; safeguards against every people that has an itch for the sword.

"The question is whether we are going to get them by a military peace or a clean peace, by what M. Pichon calls the fruits of victory, or by what President Wilson aims at—a new world order conceived in the spirit of liberty and justice.

### CHARGED WITH MAKING HIS

NIECE A "WHITE SLAVE."  
Albuquerque, N. M., April 14.—One of the indictments found by the federal jury charges Mike Oliver Hardin, a Texan, with violation of the Mann act. It was alleged that he brought his 17-year old niece from Dalhart, Texas, to Tucumcari, N. M., for immoral purposes.

Officials asked that the girl's name be not used. They believed that she would live a straight life and said that giving publicity to her name would place her under serious handicap.

### LIBERTY LOAN RALLY SATURDAY

The Victory Liberty Loan drive will be opened with a rally and band concert Saturday night at corner of Second and Main. Everybody invited.

### REGULAR SESSION, FIRST MONDAY, APRIL 7, 1919

The regular April Session of the Board of County Commissioners of Quay County, New Mexico, held at the Court House in the city of Tucumcari, New Mexico, on Monday, the 7th day of April A. D. 1919 beginning at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, there were present the following: F. W. Nations, Chairman; W. A. Dodson, Wilma Dodson, Deputy Clerk.

The following claims against Quay county are rejected: J. F. Marrs, work on public road between San Jon and Tucumcari \$82.66, J. H. Walker for bear grass taken off land \$80.00.

The board received and accepted report of W. W. Shope on the Tucumcari to Ragland road.

The board of commissioners now appoints W. D. Griffith road overseer on the public road running north from San Jon.

And now the board, acting as a board of finance for Quay county, again considers the application from the various banks of Quay county to become depositories of the funds of said county and the board now orders that approximately sixty per cent of the county funds be deposited with the First National Bank, Tucumcari, N. M., approximately twenty per cent of the county funds be deposited with the American National Bank, Tucumcari, N. M., and approximately twenty per cent of the county funds be deposited with the First National Bank, Nara Visa, N. M.

The three above mentioned banks are to qualify by making good and sufficient bond as required by law in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 57 of the Session Laws of 1915, and Chapter 70 of the New Mexico Laws 1917.

It now appears to the commissioners that the general county fund is deficient, it is now ordered by the commissioners that the county treasurer

general county fund the sum of \$1500.00, said transfer to be made temporarily and at a later date said sum of \$1500.00 to be transferred back from the general county fund to the salary fund.

The board now receives the Minority report and the majority report of the road viewers heretofore appointed to view the proposed Tucumcari to Montoya public road and the majority report of the road viewers is approved with exceptions as to the amount of damages to the land owners along the proposed public road. The commissioners now order that Mrs. Nellie Gardner be allowed the sum of \$100. as damages for right-of-way, and that P. H. Sisnev be allowed the sum of \$250.00 as damages for right-of-way, and that Otis Alford be allowed the sum of \$100.00 for right-of-way, and that J. W. Elliot be allowed the sum of \$500.00 as damages of right-of-way, and that D. J. Finegan be allowed the sum of \$650.50, with the understanding that Mr. Finegan agrees to give a quit claim deed to the right-of-way for said road, it is also understood between the board of Quay county commissioners and Mr. Finegan that it will be agreeable with the board of commissioners for the state engineer to place a passage way for cattle across said road at any convenient place in section three, township ten, range twenty-nine, providing the state engineer sees fit to do so.

It is therefore ordered by the board that all of that part of the said proposed road except that part of the road beginning at the northeast corner of section three in township ten north, range twenty-nine east, and terminating at the west part of section three and on the section line between section three and section four in township ten north, range twenty-eight east, at a point on said section line just south of the El Paso and Southwestern Railway, be, and the same hereby is declared and designated and established as a public highway.

The board further orders that three

notices shall be posted in three different conspicuous places along said highway which shall read as follows: In the matter of the opening of the Tucumcari to Montoya public road.

The Tucumcari to Montoya road having heretofore been viewed and surveyed and a plat of said road together with the report of the viewers having been heretofore filed with the clerk of the commissioners court, and the commissioners having heretofore declared the said road as recommended by the viewers to be a public road.

Now, therefore, the said county commissioners of Quay county, New Mexico, hereby gives notice to each and every person interested at the said board of county commissioners will direct their proper office to open and work the said road as aforesaid from and after sixty days from the date these notices are posted.

That all parties are hereby ordered to remove any obstruction that may be in the said road before the expiration of said time under the penalty of the law.

It is now ordered by the board of commissioners that Mrs. Ida Delk and Hazel Moore be allowed the sum of \$200.00 as damages and for right-of-way on the public road from Tucumcari to Ragland.

The board now receives the petition of public road commencing at the southeast corner of section thirty-six, township ten, range thirty-one and terminating at the southeast corner of section sixteen, township eight, range thirty-three and no action is taken on this petition by the board at this time for the reason that the necessary deposit for twenty-five dollars does not accompany the petition.

The claim for rebate on retail licenses filed by C. E. Aldridge attorney is now rejected by the board.

The following petition is received by the board: We, the undersigned citizens and property owners in the town of Nara Visa, Quay county, N. M., and the additions thereto do hereby petition the honorable board of Quay county commissioners for Quay county, New Mexico to permit the said citizens and property owners to incorporate said town of Nara Visa, New Mexico and additions thereto as a village.

Signed, E. S. JERRETT et al.

The above petition is now accepted by the board of commissioners.

### YOUNG MEN'S SOCIAL CLUB ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY

The following program will be rendered at the Methodist church Friday night for the benefit of the Young Men's Social Club. A small admission fee of 15c will be charged and everybody is invited to attend.

Instrumental—"Fill Me With Agony"

Orchestra

Duet—Softly the Winds Sigh Tonight

Miss Dora Sisney and Miss Truma Stephens

Reading—"The Emancipation of Man,"

Miss Mae Holt

Piano Solo—(1) Durans, Waltz

(2) Qui Vive.

Edwine E. Paddock

Japanese Songs—Mary Sisney

Violin Solo—"One Fleeting Hour"

Miss Lorene Hurley

Vocal Solo—When Irish Eyes are Smiling

Miss Emma Gerhardt

Reading—"The Children's Hospital"

Miss Mae Holt

Trio—Where the Morning Glories Grow.

Beautiful Girl of Somewhere

Orchestra

Trio—"The Long, Long Trail."

Readings—"The Raggedy Man,"

School Days.

Miss Mae Holt

Hindustan

Chorus

### BAPTIST CHURCH

Last Sunday was a great day with us, everybody who heard Dr. Henderson, was lifted up and are now saying have him to come again. But we are expecting another good day next Sunday at 11:00 a. m. The Knights Templars will worship with us and we will have special music. Do not fail to get there. The Sunday School will meet at 9:45. At 7:00 p. m. the B. Y. P. U. and at 8:00 the pastor will speak on the Resurrection.

GEO. E. Ellis, Pastor.

E. M. Higday has purchased the Ideal Confectionery of Jno. E. Dietzman and took charge Monday morning. Mr. Higday needs no introduction to most of the people of this city. He is one of our best citizens and will no doubt make one of our leading business men. He reports business picking up already and owing to his large acquaintance among the railroad men especially, the News predicts success in this new undertaking.

Mrs. Houser took the Senior History class of the High School to the district court room Wednesday to witness the court now in session. On Thursday she accompanied the Junior High School to the court room and let them take in the proceeding. This practical demonstration will be of considerable value to the young people in their future work.

This paper is anxious each week to issue a spicy and interesting local page. If each of our subscribers would hand us in one news item, what a newsy paper we could issue. Try it for a few weeks and mark the change.

## POUND OIL DERRICK NOW BEING ERECTED DRILL IS AT LESBIA

Work on the oil well southeast of town is progressing nicely. Carpenters went out today to begin putting up the derrick. The pit has been completed eighteen feet deep and most of the lumber is on the ground to build the mammoth derrick. A standard rig will be used to put down the hole to a depth of 4000 feet if necessary, but after examining the shale taken out of the pit some of the oil men say they would not be surprised to strike oil before the 2000-foot mark was reached. The hole will be eighteen inches to start with. This size will be used as far as possible when the hole will be cased and a smaller drill bit used. In some fields it has been necessary to reduce sizes until the hole was but four inches at the bottom. The casing for each size runs to the top of the well and when the hole is completed the larger casings are pulled and may be used on another well.

Although the roads were nearly impassable Sunday there were a number of auto loads of people visited the drill site and witnessed the men at work digging the pit and hauling lumber for the derrick. New men are arriving from the Texas oil fields and elsewhere to look over the field and they are well pleased with the outlook.

### GERMANY WILL BE REQUIRED TO SIGN AGREEMENT

Paris, April 15.—The peace treaty will be divided into two parts, according to the latest information in the French press. The first part will concern Germany and will include a clause by which she will pledge herself to comply with all agreements to be concluded with her former allies. The second part will not concern Germany directly and will be signed only by the Austrian, Bulgarian and Turkish delegates.

Prospects of peace have suddenly become brighter as the result of agreements reached by the council of four at Paris, announcements from which indicate that within a short time the war-worn world will begin to return to something like normal international conditions.

On April 25, which will be 165 days after the last gun of the great war was fired, allied and German delegates will gather at Versailles to discuss the treaty.

A statement by President Wilson last night indicated that the treaty with Germany would be completed in a very short time and that, meanwhile settlement of the conflicting claims of Italy and Jugo-Slavia to territory on the eastern shore of the Adriatic would be given preferential consideration.

It is probable that the allies of Germany will be called to Versailles almost immediately after the German delegates have received the allied terms and have passed upon them.

Germany by the terms of the treaty will be called upon to pay 100 billion gold marks, which at the pre-war rate of exchange would be equivalent to \$23,820,000,000. Of this sum there must be paid within two years an amount equal to \$4,764,000,000 and during the next thirty years twice that sum must be turned over to the allies. A commission will determine when and how the remaining \$9,528,000,000 of the reparation fund must be paid. There seems to be an agreement on the vexing problem of the Franco-German frontier. It is said that the Germans will be compelled to withdraw all troops from a zone 25 miles wide on the right bank of the Rhine while the allies will hold the left bank of that river until the first installment of the indemnity is paid.

It is indicated that France and Great Britain will receive a major portion of the indemnity, it being estimated that 85 per cent of the total will go to them. Out of the remainder the smaller powers will be given their share and that there will be some dissatisfaction on their part is expected.

In Hungary, where a soviet republic has been in power for several weeks, the execution of Archduke Joseph of Austria, Dr. Alexander Wekerle, former premier and Baron Joseph Steprenyi, minister of commerce, is reported. Confirmation is lacking.

Riotous disorders continue in Germany. In Bavaria there are indications that the government led by Premier Hoffmann, successor of Kurt Eisner, is gaining ground and that the soviet regiment, which threatened to take over complete control, may be ousted. In Berlin there have been dealing in stolen goods. In the industrial region of Westphalia strike continues, but no further fighting has been reported.

A rather disquieting situation has arisen in India where there has been disorders of a serious character. The situation in Egypt is reported to be under control of the military forces commanded by General Allenby.